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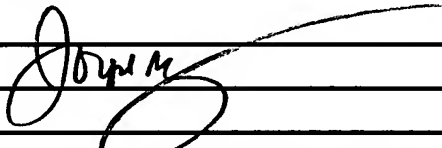
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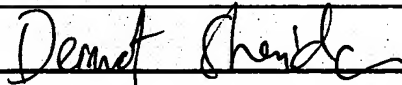
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 130.00)

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Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 770	2001 385	Utility filing fee	
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1003 530	2003 265	Plant filing fee	
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1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	-20** =	X	
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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20	
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1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	
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1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
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1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1810 770	2810 385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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In re: Patent Application of

Inventor: Ayla Cevik

New York, New York
September 15, 2004

Serial No.: 10/506,586

Filed: September 1, 2004

Title: A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC
IRONING

Examiner: N/A

Art Unit: N/A

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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181 TO OBTAIN CORRECT FILING

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Statement of Facts:

Applicant entered the U.S. National Phase under 35 U.S.C. 371 by Express

Mail filing the above-captioned application on September 1, 2004.

Applicant claims priority from PCT/IB02/00615, filed March 1, 2002. The

applicant therefore entered the U.S. National Phase within the prescribed 30-month time limit under 35 U.S.C. 371.

Applicant's appointed representative has today received the return receipt postcard from the USPTO containing the U.S. Application Number allocated to this National Phase application: 10/506,586 (copy attached). However, the date of receipt is stated as '02 SEP 2004'. This is of course incorrect.

Applicant, through its representative, hereby submits that the U.S. National Phase application was effectively filed on September 1, 2004. The application was filed via the United States Postal Service 'Express Mail' service, and was deposited directly with an employee in advance of the last regularly scheduled pick-up, in this case Mr. Philip Grant, Supervisor, Grand Central Station Post Office, 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10017 (per 37 C.F.R. 1.10(d)). Mr. Grant postmarked the Express Mail receipt on September 1, 2004, as shown in the enclosed copy of same. However, the USPS employee omitted the "date-in".

Issues:

Any discrepancy as to the actual date of receipt was due to the fact that there was a major national political convention taking place in New York

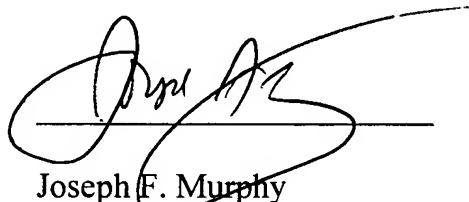
City from August 30, 2004 until September 2, 2004 (the Republican National Convention). The Convention was held in a building contiguous to, and at that time, integrated with, the main Post Office (in which some convention operations occurred). Upon inquiry, applicant's representative has determined that, due to the convention, mail deliveries from many Post Offices in New York to the main Post Office were heavily disrupted, thus delaying the processing of regular and Express Mail.

In this case the application was deposited directly with an employee of the USPS at Grand Central Station Post Office in New York City on September 1, 2004, and the receipt was accordingly postmarked September 1, 2004 (see copy of receipt, enclosed, with postmark showing both date in, September 1, 2004, and Post Office of receipt – Grand Central Station Post Office, zip 10017). However, it appears that the application was not delivered to the main Post Office for processing until the following day, September 2, 2004 (see copy of USPS internet tracking, showing that the letter was received at the main Post Office, zip 10199). Under normal circumstances, all incoming mail to the Post Office would be delivered to the main sorting office on the same day as it is received.

Relief Requested:

Given the circumstances of applicant's filing, as described, and the enclosed evidence, applicant, through its representative, respectfully submits that, under 37 C.F.R. 1.10(d), the U.S. National Phase was timely entered within the 30-month time limit prescribed under 35 U.S.C. 371, and that the application be accorded a filing date of September 1, 2004. The required petition fee is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Murphy", is written over a horizontal line.

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In re: New U.S. Patent Application under 35 USC 371

Applicant: Ayla CEVIK

Title: AMETHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC IRONING

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2. Credit card payment form in the amount of \$460.00;
3. Preliminary amendment with remarks - three (3) pages;
4. Declaration of Inventor - two (2) sheets;
5. Copy of published International Application - WO 03/074778 (with Article 19 amendment);
6. Copy of International Search Report;
7. Copy of International Preliminary Examination Report.

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